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Response to Office Action

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 7, 2006 under 35 U.S.C 121,
Applicant elects Group I (Claims 1, 3-6, 9-12, and 14-19) with traverse.

Applicant notes that 37 U.S.R. 1.475 (b) states:

(b) An international or a national stage application containing claims to
different categories of invention will be considered to have unity of
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of categories:

[...]

(4) A process and an apparatus or means specifically designed for
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[...]

The Examiner stated in the Office Action that Group I claims calculating network
blocking rates with respect to associated characteristics, whereas Group II
claims borrowing power in an emergency transmission situation.